- (2) If paragraph (a)(1) of this section does not apply to you, OTS will directly debit an account you must maintain at your association.
- (b) Savings and loan holding companies. You may establish an account at an insured depository institution and authorize OTS to debit the account for your semi-annual assessment. If you do not establish an account and maintain funds in the account sufficient to pay the semi-annual assessment when due, OTS may charge you a fee to cover its administrative costs of collecting and billing your assessment. This fee is in addition to interest on delinquent assessments charged under §502.45 of this part. OTS will establish the amount of the administrative fee and publish the amount of the fee in a Thrift Bulletin.

§ 502.40 Will OTS refund or prorate my assessment?

- (a) OTS will not refund or prorate your assessment, even if you cease to be a savings association or a savings and loan holding company.
- (b) If a conservator or receiver has been appointed, you must continue to pay assessments in accordance with this part. OTS will not increase or decrease your assessment based on events that occur after the date of the Thrift Financial Report or H-(b)11 Annual/Current Report upon which your assessment is based.

§ 502.45 What will happen if I do not pay my assessment on time?

- (a) Your assessment is delinquent if you do not pay it on the date it is due under §502.30 of this part. The Director will charge interest on delinquent assessments. Interest will accrue at a rate (that OTS will determine quarterly) equal to 150 percent of the average of the bond-equivalent rates of 13-week Treasury bills auctioned during the calendar quarter preceding the assessment.
- (b) If a savings and loan holding company fails to pay an assessment within 60 days of the date it is due under \$502.30 of this part, the Director may assess and collect the assessment with interest from a subsidiary savings association. If a savings and loan holding company controls more than one savings association, the Director may as-

sess and collect the assessment from each savings association as the Director may prescribe.

Subpart B—Fees

§502.50 What fees does OTS charge?

- (a) The Director assesses fees for examining or investigating savings associations that administer trust assets of \$1 billion or less, and saving association affiliates. Because OTS recovers the ordinary costs of examining and investigating savings and loan holding companies through the semi-annual assessment under §§ 502.25 through 502.29 of this part, the Director will not generally charge an examination fee to a savings and loan holding company. "Affiliate" has the meaning in 12 U.S.C. 1462(9), except that, for this part only, "affiliate" does not include any entity that is consolidated with a savings association on the Consolidated Statement of Condition of the Thrift Financial Report.
- (b) The Director assesses fees for processing notices, applications, securities filings, and requests, and for providing other services.

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§ 502.55 Where can I find OTS's fee schedule?

OTS will periodically publish a schedule of its fees in a Thrift Bulletin. OTS will publish these fees at least 30 days before they are effective.

§ 502.60 When will OTS adjust, add, waive, or eliminate a fee?

Under unusual circumstances, the Director may deem it necessary or appropriate to adjust, add, waive, or eliminate a fee. For example, the Director may:

- (a) Reduce any fee to adjust for any inequities, efficiencies, or changed procedures that OTS projects will reduce its applications processing costs but that OTS did not consider in determining its fees:
- (b) Reduce or waive any fee if OTS determines that the fee would unduly or unjustifiably discourage particular types of applications or applications for particular categories of transactions;